

MVP Books Submission Guidelines

If you have expertise in sports or fitness and possess the desire to write about it, MVP Books is interested in your submissions. Since 1997, previously published under the Voyageur Press imprint, our extensive backlist demonstrates our versatility and success in producing substantive books, and we take pride in publishing books that include exceptional four-color photography and informative, entertaining text.

We welcome proposals of all types, but we will strongly favor proposals on subjects within our main publishing areas, as outlined above. All proposals, regardless of subject matter, will be reviewed and responded to by a member of our editorial staff.

Please include the following items in your proposal:

- Brief cover letter or resume introducing yourself and your writing or photographic qualifications.
- Summary (250 words) highlighting your proposal and its unique and compelling features.
- Project outline and/or table of contents, including all appendices.
- Samples of your writing, including published clips.
- Samples of your photography, if applicable. If your proposal includes archival photography, good quality photocopies will suffice. If your proposal includes film transparencies 35mm or larger—duplicates are satisfactory for a proposal. Digital images are acceptable, as well, if they are at least 6x9 inches at 300 dpi. If you submit digital images with your proposal, the best option is to burn high-resolution images to a CD. Low-resolution files or prints can be submitted, but may not offer sufficient quality to properly evaluate the proposal. If you submit black and white photography, sample prints or high-quality photocopies will be helpful.
- Sales and publicity strategies.
- Reasons why you want to publish your work with MVP Books.
- Date your manuscript will be finished.
- Self-addressed, stamped return envelope.

Keep in mind that you are trying to sell us on an idea. Make your proposal interesting and informative and we are more likely to request more information and, therefore, more likely to publish your work. Do not submit an entire manuscript at this stage (unless it is fiction, in which case we would like to see the entire manuscript) and please note that although we will do our best to ensure that your proposal is well taken care of, we do not accept responsibility for any unsolicited material. We will not return any unsolicited manuscripts or artwork without a SASE. (Your SASE must have enough postage paid to cover the cost of shipping any and all parts of your submission that you want returned to you.)

Please do not send any original materials (manuscripts, transparencies, artwork, etc.); make copies or dupes and retain all of your originals. Photographic duplicates must be of good quality for us to fairly evaluate your photography. We prefer 35mm and large format

transparencies; will accept images in digital format for review only; prefers transparencies for production. Send via CD, Zip, e-mail as TIFF or JPEG files at 300 dpi.

Please send proposals to:
Book Proposals—MVP Books
MBI Publishing Company
The Wyman Building
400 First Avenue North, Suite 300
Minneapolis, MN 55401 USA

As each proposal is unique, the decision process varies. While waiting for a decision from us may often be the most anxious time for you, we ask that you have patience as we evaluate your proposal.

Thank you for your interest in MVP Books. We look forward to receiving your proposal.